

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A refrigerant recovery device comprising:

a refrigerant recovery tank which stores an

5 activated carbon for adsorbing a refrigerant,

wherein the recovery tank is equipped with a  
detachable cap, and the activated carbon is wrapped in  
unwoven cloth finer than a grain diameter of the activated  
carbon, and stored in the recovery tank.

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2. A refrigerant recovery method comprising:

connecting the refrigerant recovery device of claim

1 to a refrigeration circuit; and

vacuuming a gas in a refrigerant recovery tank to

15 discharge the gas before a refrigerant of the refrigeration  
circuit is recovered.

3. The refrigerant recovery method according to

claim 2, wherein a filter of unwoven cloth finer than a grain

20 diameter of an activated carbon is arranged on a path of the  
vacuuming.

4. The refrigerant recovery method according to

claim 2 or 3, wherein a refrigerant is a low boiling point

25 gas refrigerant or a mixture of a low boiling point gas

refrigerant and a liquefied refrigerant which has a boiling  
point higher than that of the gas refrigerant.